

Church Family News and Prayers

A prayer for light

Lord,
Who calls us to seek the light even when we walk in darkness,
Help us to look upwards and see all that is beautiful in your
creation.

When we walk the green spaces between and beyond the houses,
May we be astonished at the natural world so close by us.

If we take the paths beside the river, may we remember
All the life and joy those waters have seen
As well all the trials and sorrows.

Forgive us when we turn inwards upon ourselves;
Forgive us when we can see nobody else's troubles,
Only our own.

May your spirit change us into realists who are also optimists
Rather than peddlers of gloom and despair.

As followers of the child born in Bethlehem,
May we clothe our days in the hope Christ's story brings us.

Amen

***We continue to pray for those members of our Church Family
and Friends who are unwell and all those who mourn.***

Welcome to Cyncoed Methodist Church



part of Cardiff Methodist Circuit

Church Notices for Sunday 14th December 2025 Third Sunday of Advent

Stewards: Alison Harrison and Jenny Siddall

10.30am Munawar Amaf

3.00pm Messy Church

At Cyncoed Methodist Church

We are called to tell God's story by living as God's people through:

- Preaching and teaching the gospel
- Encouraging spiritual growth
- Outreach in the community
- Responding to opportunities for change

All inspired by God centred worship and prayer.

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There will be no Communion service on Thursday 11th or 18th December 2025. The Mid-week Communion will recommence on Thursday 8th January 2026.

Cyncoed Church Premises

For Out of Hours or Emergency access to the Cyncoed Church Premises, please call Martin on 07849 632 394

Please send items for the church notices to the Church Office or email to cyncoedmethodistchurch@gmail.com before 5.00pm on Wednesday.

Notices

- ❖ **Carols Around the Tree** An informal evening at **7pm on Wednesday 17th December**. Please bring any readings/poems to share between singing carols.
- ❖ **Donations to 'Reachout'** This year we would be grateful for donations of Chocolate Oranges or Puzzle books for the homeless and vulnerable which will be given out at the Conway Road Breakfast group. Please bring to Church over the next couple of weeks. Many thanks. Margaret Ashford and Carolyn Penn.
- ❖ **Messy Church** – 14th December 2025, 3-5pm
Theme - **Joy to the WHOLE world!**
I look forward to sharing the session together!
- ❖ **Ken Davies**. We have received the sad news that Ken Davies, husband of Eira, passed away last week at Ty Enfys Care Home. His funeral will be held on Thursday December 18th at the Briwnant Chapel, Thornhill at 11am. Our sympathies and prayers go out to his daughter, Helen, and the wider family.
- ❖ **Meet, Eat and Connect** The next breakfast will be held on Saturday 13th December, 10.00 - 11.30am in the Fellowship Room, Cyncoed Church. This will be a fun, Christmas themed event so the wearing of Christmas jumpers is encouraged. All very welcome
- ❖ **Christmas Card Shop** The 'Cards for Good Causes' multi-charity Christmas card shop is now open again at St John's Church in the city centre. It's open 10am to 4pm Monday to Saturday until Friday 19th December. Certainly worth a look if you're in town
- ❖ **Dedicate a Flower Arrangement** This Christmas we would like to offer our members and friends the opportunity to dedicate a flower arrangement to a special person or in memory of a loved one. A Christmas arrangement will display a gift tag with your message. Should you be interested in dedicating an arrangement this Christmas please write your message on a gift tag (available from the stewards).
A suggested contribution of £10 would be helpful towards the cost of the flowers but any contribution you can make is most welcome. Gwyneth and the Church Flowers team.
- ❖ **Christmas Craft Fayre** Saturday 13th December 12 to 4pm in the Westminster Hall come along and get your last minute presents. Lots of craft stalls, help raise money for local charities.
See leaflet for more details.
- ❖ **Welsh Blood Service** The Blood Donation Clinic will be coming to Cyncoed Methodist Church on Friday 2nd January 2026. See attached booking link for your use.
Booking link: <https://wbs.wales/CyncoedMethodistChurch>